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Dear Maritime Transportation Stakeholder,

I would like to invite you to a forum on the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) regulations. The intent of this meeting is to provide clarification on any new additional requirements, address questions, and finalize any remaining issues on the interpretation of the Facility and Vessel Security regulations, 33 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 104 and 105. These new regulations require implementation of relevant security protocols and administrative tools that will directly impact the security and preparedness posture of all Puget Sound and U.S. - Canadian operating areas.

The Forum will be held at the U. S. Coast Integrated Support Command Bear Room, Pier 36, Seattle from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM during two days, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003. The forum will address your questions and give you the opportunity to effectively frame the base for your Facility or Vessel Security Plans. We will review the Facility Security Regulations on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Vessel Security Regulations on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to working together to improve the security of our Maritime Transportation System in Puget Sound. The final agenda for the forum will be posted on the Puget Sound Port Security Committee website: [www.pugetsoundpsc.org](http://www.pugetsoundpsc.org) under "Latest News". Please note that reservations are not required for attendance. If you have any questions, please contact LT S. Jorge Argudo at [sjargudo@pacnorwest.uscg.mil](mailto:sjargudo@pacnorwest.uscg.mil) or (206) 217-6144.

Sincerely,

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